Setup guide: Server Installation

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This guide is to help a system administrator setup RSA ACE Server installation to the IT environment. Note that the setup guide is another layout to the provided documentation with the CD or in a download. The guide is designed for basic setup and any specific protection or requirements are not reflected in this guide. For example, the system admin must specify the length of a PIN, determine whether a user generates the PIN, and decide if passwords are allowed, etc.

The first part will be setting up the server; from install to configuration. The second part is setting up for the Agent host. It is encouraged to read the provided documentation that came with the CD or download.

Server installation:

Note: This is for ACE Server 6.0 (Authentication Manager 6.0).

- 1. Open the Ace server folder > aceserv > click on setup.exe
 - a. (based on download) as601_win > aceserv > windows > setup.exe
- 2. Go past the welcome screen
- 3. Choose the area of purchase (my case North America) > Next



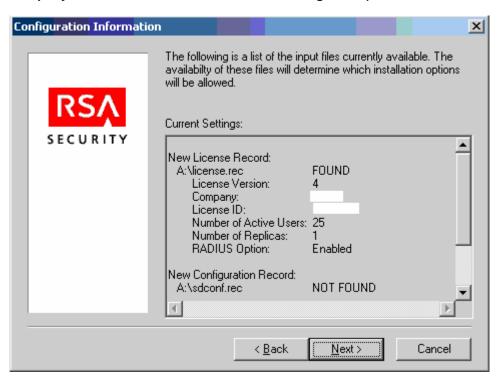
4. Read and Agree to the License Agreement > Yes



5. Locate your License file on disk. It should be with your purchased package or provided with download. Note this is also the same license on a disk if you have an older version of the ACE Server. In this case it came with the 5.1 package. The license file is the same no matter what version of The ACE Server you are using. > Next

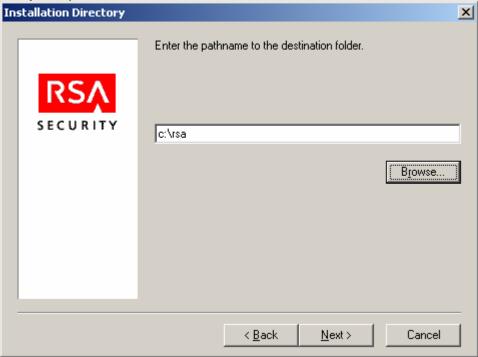


6. Review the information to make sure it's correct > Next (All white boxes will be the company's information and will be filled in during install)





7. Specify the location to install to. Note a folder will automatically be made. (I made an extra directory name RSA to store the installed components, you do not have to that nor is it required.)



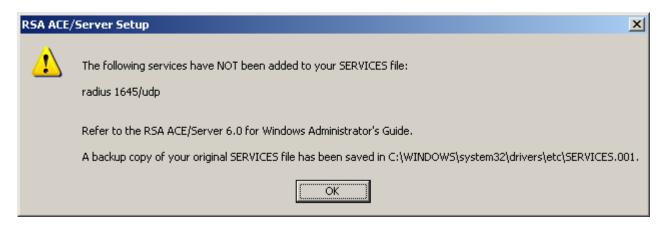
8. Check the New Primary RSA ACE/Server and Documentation. (Note this is not the replica server. Leave unchecked you will check this when creating a replica) > Next



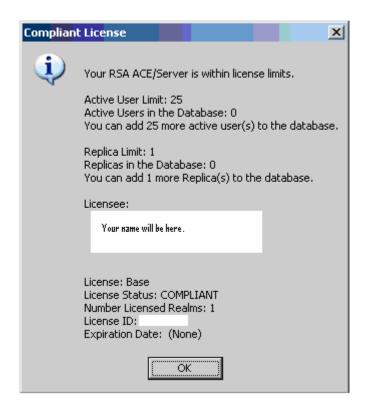
9. Make sure information is correct > Next



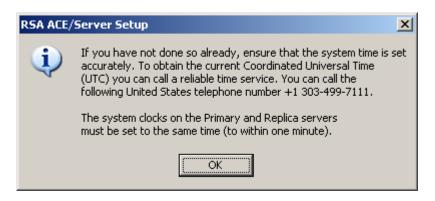
10. Note you can ignore this popup because in this setup we did not install the RADIUS service. This popup will not display if you decide to install the RADIUS service. Click OK



11. Review the information of your Installation > OK



12. Follow the direction on screen > Ok



13. Restart computer > Finish

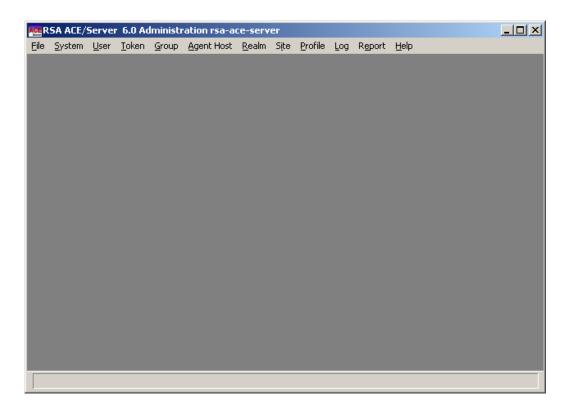


Things to do after install: (To ensure local authentication and proper agent install)

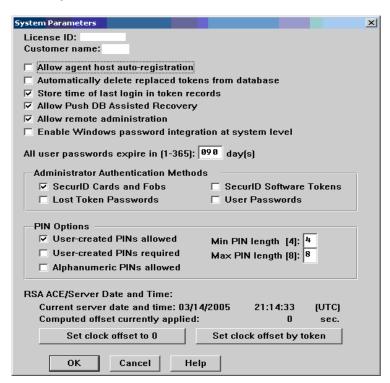
Now that the server has been installed, the next step is to configure the RSA ACE Server. It is recommended to configure the server at this point (after install) because it will be needed later when establishing connection with agents.

1. Open the Ace server console host manager

a. Log in as administrator: Click Start > All Programs > RSA ACE Server > Database Administration – Host Mode

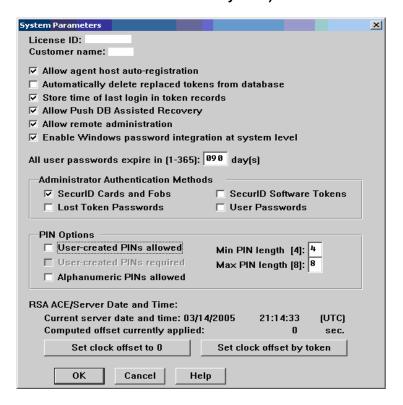


2. Configure System: On tool bar click System > System Configuration > Edit System parameters



3. Check the "Allow agent host auto-registration and Enable Windows password Integration at system level. Unclick User-created PINs allowed (may have user do

that but chose not to in my case)



Importing Tokens: Populating database with tokens to deploy to the users.

This section of the setup guide focuses on importing the tokens that will need to distribute to the users/people of the organization. This section also assumes that you have gotten your tokens and have the proper token seed record to import the tokens. Depending on how the file came, you may need to decrypt the token seed record in order for the server to parse it.

Steps:

1. In the same view as configuring the server. Host Manager View. Click Token > Import Token > Pop up window appears to locate .ASC file or .XML file. Each or one should come with the package of bought tokens. Note that some files maybe encrypted and thus need to be decrypted first. Click on openTokens are Imported unless a error occurred

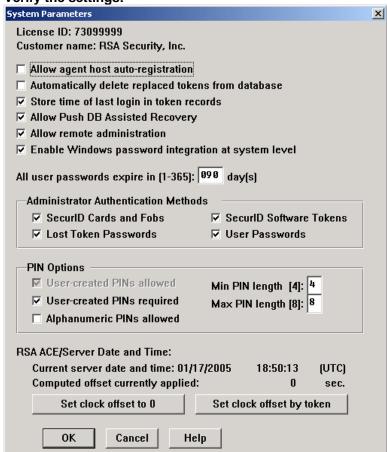
2. OK



Configuring Password Integration and Offline Authentication on ACE/Server 6.0

Password integration is enabled at system level by default on ACE/Server:

RSA ACE/Server ----- > Administration ----> System Configuration ---> Edit System Parameters **Verify the settings:**



Configuring Offline Authentication

Password integration must work in order to be able to accomplish offline authentication. Administration -----> System Configuration -----> Edit offline Auth Configuration Offline Authentication is enabled by default at system level on ACE/Server.

Edit Offline Authentication	X
▼ Enable offline authentication at system level	
Offline Authentication Security Settings Provide enabled agents with a maximum of 14 days of offline data	
Require PIN + Tokencode entry to be at least 12 characters.	
Allow offline authentication with alternate token types:	
	nly 🔽 Static password
Offine Emergency Codes Generate offline emergency codes	
Code Types	Codes Contain
Offline emergency tokencodes	✓ Numbers
O Offline emergency passcodes	Characters
C Both	
Require emergency code after 20 offline authentication failures. Emergency codes expire after 30 days.	
Warn users when only 7 days of offline authentication data remain. ✓ Upload offline authentication log entries when user reconnects.	
✓ Enable verbose offline authentication logging.	
OK Restore Defaults Cancel	<u>H</u> elp

Configuring Offline Authentication at the System Level

Start ---→ Programs -→ RSA ACE/Server ----- > Database Administration ----- > System Configuration ---- > Edit System Parameters ---- > Edit Offline Authentication...

To configure offline authentication parameters:

1. In the Edit Offline Authentication dialog box, select Enable offline authentication at system level.

This enables the other settings in the dialog box.

2. Specify Offline Authentication Security Settings.

a. Specify the number of days of offline authentication data that you want the Server to generate for enabled Agents.

The default is 14 days; the maximum value is 100 days.

- b. Specify the length requirement for passcode entries (PIN combined with tokencode). A range of 8 to 16 characters is allowed. The default is 12 characters.
- c. Specify the alternate token types with which offline authentication can be used. Available options are PIN-PAD, Tokencode-only, and Static password.

Important: If your users have already downloaded offline authentication data, and you then reduce the maximum number of days of data that can be downloaded, offline users will still be able to authenticate as long as they have offline data remaining. When users connect to the network, only then will the reduced number of offline logon days be downloaded. For optimum security, RSA Security recommends that the PIN + Tokencode setting be 12 characters (or more) in length. If your RSA SecurID tokens display six characters, for example, require your users to specify PINs that are at least six characters. RSA Security also recommends that you do not allow offline authentication with PIN-PAD, Tokencode-only, or Static password tokens.

3. Specify settings for Offline Emergency Codes.

- a. To enable and define emergency access for your users when their computers are disconnected from the network, select Generate offline emergency codes.
- b. Select the types of offline emergency codes that you want the Server to generate Offline emergency tokencodes (for users who have misplaced their token), Offline emergency passcodes (for users who have forgotten their PIN and need a full passcode), or both.

Important: Because emergency passcodes enable authentication without a PIN, RSA Security recommends that you use emergency tokencodes instead. Users still must enter their PIN followed by the emergency tokencode to gain entry to their computers. Provide emergency passcodes only in situations where users have forgotten their PINs. In such cases, make sure you properly identify the users before providing them with emergency passcodes.

c. Specify the character types that offline emergency codes can contain — Numbers, Characters, and Punctuation Marks.

The default is to use all three character types, as this is the most secure.

d. Specify the number of failed offline authentication attempts before users must use an emergency code to gain entry to

their computers. The default is 20; the maximum is 100.

e. Specify the length of time (in days) after which emergency codes expire. The default is 30 days.

4. Specify the number of remaining days of offline authentication data that triggers a warning to users.

The default is 7 days. Offline computer users receive a message when they are running low on offline authentication data. Users have to reconnect to the company network to replenish their supply of offline logon days. If users completely run out of offline logon days, they may no longer be able to log in to their computers without help from their RSA ACE/Server administrator. For information about how users can reconnect and replenish their offline logon days, see the RSA ACE/Agent 6.0 Installation and Administration Guide.

- 5. If you want offline authentication events to be uploaded to the RSA ACE/Server's log database when users reconnect to the network, select Upload offline authentication log entries when user reconnects.
- 6. If you want detailed logging of offline authentication events, select Enable verbose offline authentication logging.

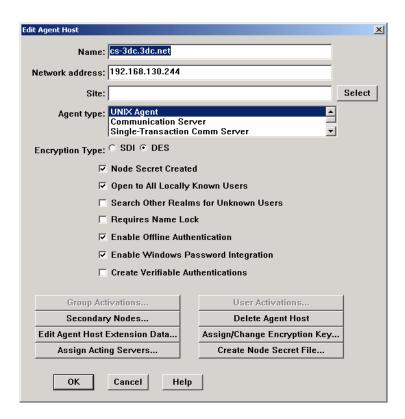
This will indicate a message on ACE/Server log after every 2 hours.

7. Click OK to accept the new offline authentication settings and close the dialog box. Alternatively, to restore the defaults, click Restore Defaults.

Password Integration and Offline Authentication at client level:

RSA ACE/Agent 6.0 must be installed on Agent host to utilize these features.

Edit Agent host:



Note that offline authentication must be enabled at the system-level for this to work at Agent host level.

If the Agent Host is running version 6.0 RSA ACE/Agent for Windows software, select Enable Windows Password Integration. This specifies that users' Windows passwords are automatically delivered to the Windows authentication engine when users authenticate with RSA SecurID. For this to work, Windows password integration must be enabled at the system-level. Please refer to help topics on the above screen shot for other configuration details.